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PATENT
Docket No. PD-990273
CUSTOMER NO.: 020991

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert G. Arsenault, et al.
Serial No.: 09/643,122
Filed: August 21, 2000
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED
CREATION OF LINKING INFORMATION

Date: October 4, 2004
Group Art Unit: 2614
Examiner: Michael W. Hoye

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X Applicant petitions for an extension of time for ONE (1) month to respond to the Office Action dated June 4, 2004.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$ 110.00

_____ An extension for _____ month(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ _____

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

_____ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated June 4, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

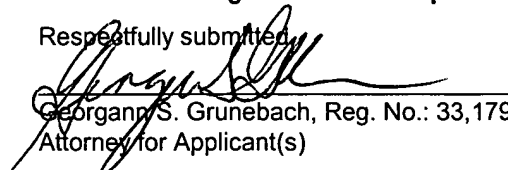
X No additional fee for claims is required.

X The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED									
CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER		PRESENT		ADDITIONAL			
AFTER AMENDMENT		PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA		RATE		FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	27	minus	27*	=	0	x	\$ 18.00	\$	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	minus	3**	=	0	x	\$ 86.00	\$	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 290.00	\$	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:								\$	0

Charge **\$110.00** to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. **This form is being submitted in triplicate.**

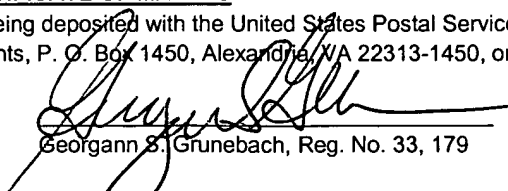
Respectfully submitted,


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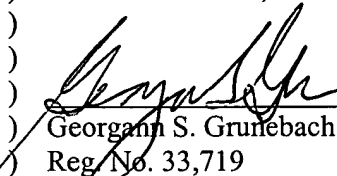
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RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 4, 2004

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following remarks.

The Status of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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